## **Department of Veterans Affairs**

## § 21.268 Employment adjustment allowance.

(a) General. A veteran who completes a period of rehabilitation and reaches the point of employability will be paid an employment adjustment allowance for a period of two months at the full-time subsistence allowance rate for the type of program the veteran was last pursuing. (See §21.190(d))

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3108(a))

(b) Reelection of subsistence allowance. A veteran who has elected payment at the Chapter 30 educational assistance allowance rate may be paid an employment adjustment allowance only if he or she reelects subsistence allowance to become effective no later than the day following completion of the period of rehabilitation to the point of employability.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3108(f))

- (c) Special programs. An employment adjustment allowance will be paid at the institutional rate of subsistence allowance for veterans in any of the following programs:
- (1) On-job training at no or nominal pay in a Federal agency;
  - (2) Training in the home program;
  - (3) Independent instructor program;
  - (4) Cooperative program; or
  - (5) Self-employment program.
- (d) Combination program. A veteran who has pursued a combination program will be paid an employment adjustment allowance at the full-time rate for the type of training the veteran was actually pursuing at the completion of the period of rehabilitation to the point of employability.
- (e) Subsequent payments of employment adjustment allowance. If a veteran has ever received an employment adjustment allowance following rehabilitation to the point of employability, he or she may, nevertheless, receive it again when completing an additional rehabilitation program to the point of employability if:
- (1) The prior determination of rehabilitation to the point of employability is set aside: and
- (2) The veteran is reinducted into a new vocational rehabilitation program as provided in §21.282.

(f) Employment adjustment allowance not charged against entitlement. An employment adjustment allowance will not be charged against the veteran's basic entitlement.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3108(a))

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## §21.270 Payment of subsistence allowance during leave and between periods of instruction.

- (a) Payment during leave. VA will pay an eligible veteran a subsistence allowance during any period of approved leave including a veteran:
- (1) Receiving medical or rehabilitation services on an outpatient basis at a VA medical center, and who provides his or her own room and board;
- (2) Receiving service department retirement or retained pay while not on active duty;
- (3) Hospitalized at a VA medical center while on approved leave. If the veteran becomes eligible for payment of disability compensation at the temporary 100 percent rate, under §3.401(h) of this title due to hospitalization, payment will be made under provisions of §21.266(a).

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3110)

- (b) Payment for intervals between periods of instruction. Subsistence allowance will paid to a veteran during the following periods unless the case manager and the veteran jointly determine that such payment is not in the veteran's interest:
- (1) A period between consecutive terms within an enrollment period that does not exceed 1 full calendar month;
- (2) A period between consecutive school terms, when the veteran, as part of his or her approved program of vocational rehabilitation, transfers from one educational institution to another for the purpose of enrolling in, and pursuing, the same objective at the second institution, provided the period does not exceed 30 days:
- (3) A period which does not exceed 30 days, between a semester, term, or